HOUSE RESOLUTION No. ____

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A HOUSE RESOLUTION congratulating the Frontier livestock judging team on winning championship honors at the Eastern National Livestock Show.

Whereas, Participation on a livestock judging team gives young people the opportunity to learn the skill of livestock evaluation and to express their opinions through oral presentation;

Whereas, Livestock judging team members learn to apply scientific principles of animal growth, evaluation, and selection to different types of animals and to analyze breeding and market classes of beef cattle, swine, and sheep;

Whereas, Livestock judging competitions are held throughout the United States, challenge the team members, and determine the knowledge and communication skills that the team members have obtained;

Whereas, There are three levels in livestock judging competitions - area, state, and national;

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Whereas, To qualify for the judging team, participants must be active in either the FFA or 4-H organizations;

Whereas, Only the top six teams at the state contest are eligible to compete at the national level, and the Frontier judging team placed fourth at the state level;

Whereas, The team members' talents and hard work were rewarded when they took championship honors at the Eastern National Livestock Contest which was held September 14-17, 2007, in Timonium, Maryland;

Whereas, The team included three sisters - Courtney, Carly and Bailey Wesner as well as Brittany Warren. Brittany Warren participated as a substitute for Jake Sullivan who competed in the area and state contests but who was in college and unable to compete at the time of the national competition;

Whereas, The group was provided expertise and direction by John Culver, Agriculture and FFA teacher at Frontier Junior-Senior High School;

Whereas, The team also placed first in the swine division, first in the placing division, second in the sheep division, second in the beef division, and second in oral reasons;

Whereas, In addition to the team's accomplishments, Carly Wesner was high individual, Bailey Wesner was sixth overall, and Courtney Wesner placed eighth;

Whereas, Carly Wesner was high individual in swine, third in beef, sixth in oral reasons, and seventh in sheep;

Whereas, Bailey Wesner placed fourth in swine, tenth in sheep, thirteenth in beef, and fifteenth in reasons;

Whereas, Courtney Wesner placed seventh in oral reasons, eighth in swine, thirteenth in sheep, and fifteenth in beef;

Whereas, Brittany Warren placed eleventh in swine and

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seventeenth in beef;

Whereas, The livestock judging team excelled in this highly competitive environment, demonstrated their knowledge and leadership skills, and is a source of pride and inspiration to their school, community and state: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly congratulates the Frontier livestock judging team for their outstanding performance in the Eastern National Livestock Show and wishes them continued success in the future.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives transmit a copy of this resolution to team members Courtney Wesner, Carly Wesner, Bailey Wesner, Brittany Warren and to coach John Culver.

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